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Art Unit 2672

Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application
Application No. 10/690,638; Filed: October 23, 2003
For: **Texture Roaming Via Dimension Elevation**
Inventors: Chalfin *et al.*
Our Ref: 1352.00

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form PTO-1449 (2 pages), listing and enclosing 4 documents; and
3. Two (2) return postcards

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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OTHER (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

AR	1	Foley et al., <i>Computer Graphics Principles and Practice</i> , 2 nd edition in C, Addison-Wesley Publishing Co.; Reading, Massachusetts 1996, pp. xvii-xxiii, 741-744 and 826-828
AS	1	C. Tanner et al., "The Clipman: a Virtual Mipmap," Computer Graphics Proceedings Annual Conference Series, 1998, pp. 151-158
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AR	2	Hakura et al., "The Design and Analysis of a Cache Architecture for Texture Mapping," ISCA '97, Denver, CO (1997), pp. 108-120
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